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SUBJECT: DAYAN TV INTERVIEW OCT 14 ON WEST BANK

1. FOLLOWING IS EMB TRANSLATION FROM HATZOFEH TEXT OF DAYAN TV INTERVIEW OCT 14 (NOT COVERED BY FBIS), IN WHICH DAYAN EXPLAINS HIS SIGNATURE ON LIKUD PETITION OPPOSING RE ERSION OF WEST BANK TO FOREIGN RULE.

2. BEGIN TEXT

QUESTION: WHY DID YOU SIGN THE LIKUD PETITION, WHICH IS OPPOSED TO THE PLATFORM OF THE LABOR PARTY?

ANSWER: I DON'T THINK IT IS CONTRARY TO THE PLATFORM OF THE LABOR PARTY. I SIGNED FOR TWO REASONS: (A) BECAUSE I AGREE WITH WHAT IT SAYS IN THE PETION: (B) BECAUSE I THINK THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE ONE'S VOICE HEARD IN THIS MATTER. WHAT DOES THIS PETION SAY? "WE, CITIZENS OF ISRAEL, THE UNDERSIGNED, ON THE BASIS OF OUR RIGHT TO ERETZ ISRAEL, TO SECURITY, UNCLASSIFIED

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SETTLEMENT AND PEACE, CALL UPON THE KNESSET TO MAKE SURE THAT

JUDEA AND SAMARIA SHOULD NOT BE HANDED OVER TO ANY FOREIGN REGIME." IN OTHER WORDS, IF THERE SHOULD BE A MOTION TABLED IN THE KNESSET SAYING THAT THE KNESSET DECIDES THAT JUDEA AND SAMARIA SHOULD NOT BE HANDED OVER TO A FOREIGN REGIME, I WILL VOTE IN FAVOR OF IT.

Q. WHAT DO YOU REGARD AS A FOREIGN REGIME?

AM. JORDAN, THE PALESTINIANS, OR EVEN THE BRITISH.

Q. IN THE PLATFORM OF THE LABOR PARTY, A DOCUMENT OF 14 POINTS, IT SPEAKS NEVERTHELESS ABOUT A CERTAIN TERRITORIAL COMPROMISE.

A. I DON'T THINK IT SAYS THERE: A TERRITORIAL COMPROMISE IN JORDAN, JUDEA AND SAMARIA.

Q. WHAT IS YOUR OPINION ABOUT THE FUTURE OF JUDEA AND SAMARIA?

A. I CAN AND WANT TO SAY THREE THINGS THAT ARE VERY RELEVANT WHICH MUST NOT BE DONE, AND TO WHICH I AM OPPOSED:

(1) I AM OPPOSED TO ANY TERRITORIAL PARTITION OF THE WEST BANK, PLAN 'A', PLAN 'B', THIS LINE OR THAT LINE, TO ANY TERRITORIAL PARTITION.

(2) I AM OPPOSED TO IT THAT ANY KIND OF SETTLEMENT SHOULD DEPRIVE JEWS OF THE POSSIBILITY OF BEING OR SETTLING ANYWHERE IN JUDEA OR SAMARIA.

(3) I AM OPPOSED TO, AND I WILL OPPOSE, ANY SETTLEMENT THAT WILL REQUIRE THE IDF TO BE PULLED OUT FROM JUDEA AND SAMARIA AND FROM THOSE PLACES WHERE THE ARMY THINKS IT OUGHT TO STAY IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA. THE ARMY MUST REMAIN THERE. WE HAVE A RIGHT TO SETTLE, TO BE THERE, AS JEWS, AND NOT TO DECIDE ON A TERRITORIAL PARTITION OF JUDEA AND SAMARIA.

Q. WHAT IS YOUR OPINION ABOUT THE MANNER OF SETTLEMENT AS IT WAS DONE THIS WEEK, WHICH RESULTED IN A CONFRONTATION WITH IDF SOLDIERS?

A. I AM AGAINST THAT FORM. BUT I WANT TO START SPEAKING " IN FAVOR OF"... FIRST OF ALL, I AM EXTREMELY GLAD THAT THERE ARE UNCLASSIFIED

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PEOPLE LIKE THOSE YOUTH WHO ARE PREPARED TO SETTLE IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA, BOTH IN LITTLE ISRAEL, BUT ALSO IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA. THIS IS ONE POSITIVE THING, IF THERE ARE INDEED AMONG THOSE WHO WENT THERE PEOPLE WHO MEAN TO SETTLE THERE PERMANENTLY. SECONDLY, I ALSO SUPPORT IT THAT THERE SHOULD BE AN EMOTIONAL-POLITICAL MOVEMENT, WHICH SHOULD ASPIRE TO IT THAT JEWS SHOULD NOT WANT TO LEAVE AND SHOULD SETTLE IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA. THOSE ARE THE TWO POSITIVE THINGS. THE "BUT" IS, THAT I THINK THAT

THE PLACE WHERE THESE THINGS OUGHT TO BE DONE AND BE DECIDED UPON-- WHERE THE STRUGGLE OUGHT TO TAKE PLACE-- IS IN THE KNESSET AND IN ELECTIONS, NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND, FIRST TO DO AND THEN TO DECIDE. I AM AGAINST THAT FORM IN WHICH THIS HAS JUST BEEN DONE.

Q. MR DAYAN, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WHEN YOU WERE IN THE GOVT YOU DID NOT TAKE SUCH AN ATTITUDE. WHY DO YOU DO SO NOW?

A. I WOULDN'T SAY THAT. I THINK THAT IF SOMEONE WOULD BE ENGAGED IN WHAT IS CALLED THE "GALILI DOCUMENT," AND MY PART IN IT, HE COULD NOT COME AND SAY THAT I HAVE NOT ADOPTED SUCH AN ATTITUDE CONCERNING SETTLEMENT IN NEBI SAMUEL, AN INDUSTRIAL CENTER IN KFAR SABA NEAR QUALQUIYA, OR IN YAMIT. IN THE GOVT THERE ARE DUTIES WHICH REST ON THE MEMBERS OF THE GOVT. YOU CAN LEAVE THE GOVT, BUT IF YOU ARE IN THE GOVT AND THE GOVT HAS A LINE, UNTIL THAT LINE IS NOT ABSOLUTELY CONTRARY TO YOUR OPINION, THERE IS A LIMIT HOW FAR YOU CAN GO AGAINST A GOVT DECISION OR AGAINST THE PRIMIN. NOW I AM FREE FROM THAT, BUT I DON'T THINK THAT AT ANY TIME THAT I WAS IN THE GOVT THERE HAD BEEN ANY DOUBT THAT I WAS OPPOSED TO TERRITORIAL PARTITION, THAT I WAS IN FAVOR NOT ONLY OF SETTLEMENT, BUT IN FAVOR OF THE RIGHT OF JEWS TO BUY LAND, NOT TO SPECULATE, BUT TO BUY LAND IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA. NOW, TOO, I THINK ONE OUGHT TO PREVENT SPECULATION; BUT THAT WE SHOULD PREVENT JEWS, TO DEPRIVE THEM OF THE RIGHT TO ACQUIRE, TO BUY LAND IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA, OR TO SETTLE THERE, WHEN THE ARABS ARE PREPARED TO SELL THEM THAT LAND? IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE PRIMIN HAS RECENTLY SAID THAT ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO JUDEA AND SAMARIA IS UNQUESTIONABLE, UNSHAKABLE. THIS IS NOT CORRECT. IT CAN BE QUESTIONED AND SHAKEN. BUT BY WHOM? BY ISRAEL HERSELF. ISRAEL, THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL CAN UNDERMINE THAT RIGHT. UNCLASSIFIED

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IF WE ARE EXPELLED FROM THERE, OR IF WE LOSE THE JEWISH QUARTER IN A WAR-- SO WE'VE LOST. BUT IF THERE IS A "WHITE PAPER" IF WE OURSELVES SAY THAT WE DO NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO BUY LAND OR TO SETTLE, THEN WE ARE THE ONES WHO HAVE SHAKEN AND UNDERMINED THAT RIGHT. THE ONLY ONES WHO ARE CAPABLE OF UNDERMINING THAT RIGHT OF OURS, ARE WE OURSELVES. END TEXT. KEATING

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